The Rain-Bow of Seven Good-Wills

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I.

VIOLET.

From rosy dawn on the first morn,
Dim Violet, then was born;
Before Adam and Eve's ill-will,
Through a pleasing: I Don't Care!
GOD tempered wrath, with Good-Will,
There, in Eden's Garden fair.

II.

INDIGO.

Clouds, black as Indigo, among
Lightning's flashings seen, hung
Upon Sinai's pinnacles rude—
There, thundered:—A GOOD-WILL!!!! *g h*
To turn from bad, to do the Good,
Thus, HIS sacred Law fulfill. *i j*

III.

BLUE.

Behind them shown,—Heavenly Blue!
Shining Sun!—it soon broke through;
Just as we find in Holy Writ,
HIS Will, and in it, no Ill;
Justice and Mercy closely knit—
A monotone of—GOOD-WILL!!

IV.

GREEN.

Another will, as we shall see,
Known as "Green-Eyed jealousy;"
That other love, that does us tease,
And tempts one, almost—to kill!
If you'd try, some one else, to please,
A kind of human-good-will?

V.

YELLOW.

Who trains us, while young, to be Good?
We yell "O H — Ah!" As we should:
Our earthly Father's stern command,
By it, must our conduct bend,
(If he is guided by God's hand);
Receive, a Hand will unbend.

VI.

ORANGE.

Whose smile, and kisses never change?
Much sweeter than an Orange!
A Mother's LOVE! It has such charms,
That on it, we may depend.
In all our sorrows, all our harms,
A real Good-Will, without end.

VII.

RED.

Bloody men on blood-stained ground,
From fierce battle, Red is found;
Though "Peace," HE says, "I leave with you!"
How can we wait—until Then?
Amid warfare, we PEACE pursue—
Trusting, HIS "GOOD-WILL to Men!"

NOTES.—*a*. Gen. IX: 11. Rev. IV: 3.
b. Gen. I: 14.

I. *c*. Gen. III: 6.
d. Gen. III: 15.
e. Gen. III: 9-10.

II. *f*. Ex. XIX: 18.
g. *h*. Ex. XIX: 19; XX.
i. *j*. Deut. XVIII: 15; Ex. II: 5.

III. *k*. Gen. VIII: 13.
l. Ps. CIII: 17.
m. Eze. XVIII: 23; XXXIII: 11. II Pet. III: 6.

IV. n. Prov. XIII: 24.
o. Prov. XX: 1-29.

V. *p*. Prov. VI: 34.

VI. *q*. Isa. XLIX: 15.

VII. *r*. Isa. IX: 5.
s. Eze. IX: 9.
t. Zep. I: 17.
u. John XIV: 27.
v. European War, 1914.
w. Luke II: 14.

"Glory to God in the highest,
and on Earth
Peace and Good Will toward Men."

Luke II: 14

"If I could grasp your hand
For about a minute you'd understand
Without any fixed-up card from me
What a Happy Xmas I want yours to be."